

THE GREEKS ADVANCING.

CONTINUING SUCCESSFUL OPERATIONS AGAINST THE TURKS.

Making an Effort to Cut the Turkish Line of Communication and Raising the Macedonians to Revolt—Several Turkish Posts Captured—The Italian Volunteers With the Greek Vanguard—Emperor Nicholas Says the Two Nations Must be Let Alone.

Larissa, Thessaly, April 15.—There is no truth in the Turkish reports that the Greek irregulars have been driven out of Macedonia. It is true that a few of the irregulars who formed part of the expeditionary force have returned into Greek territory, but these are men who for some reason have been unable to keep up with the main body of the Greeks and, consequently, they have retreated across the frontier.

The main body of the irregulars is continuing its successful operations against the Turks, with the view of cutting the Turkish lines of communication, getting in the rear of the Turks and raising the Macedonians against the rule of the sultan. The report of the capture of Kipuri, north of Baidarra, by the Greeks, is confirmed and in addition the main forces of the irregulars of the expedition have advanced as far as Pigiaviza, where there is an important bridge across a mountain torrent. From that point Chief Davellis, who is directing the operations, has sent a detachment, consisting of the Italians under Colonel Cipriani, the well known socialist leader, to the left of Pigiaviza, with instructions to attack and capture Ziof, a small town occupying an important strategic position. The Italians accomplished their task in due time and with considerable skill. They are now holding Ziof, and placing themselves in a position to withstand an attack from the Turks.

Simultaneously with ordering the movement against Ziof, Chief Davellis sent another column of irregulars to the right from Pigiaviza under orders to invest and capture Siton, another town occupying a strategic position of importance. This movement was also successfully carried out, the Greeks killing seven Turks and capturing five Turkish prisoners during the assault, which was brilliantly conducted and brought to an end by the blowing up of the Turkish blockhouse with dynamite.

After the capture of Ziof the Greek irregular force operating in that direction continued its advance, the far as Kritides, Pili and Koriduzi. The Greeks have been instructed to hold the latter place at all costs, as it commands their approach to Grevena, which is held by a strong Turkish force—infantry, cavalry and artillery—and which is the objective point of the Greek expedition. The Greek irregulars now hold all of the four roads leading from the Thessalian frontier in the direction of Grevena, which may be looked upon as the Turkish centre.

In all, the Greeks have about 80,000 regulars and some 20,000 irregulars on the frontier, but they count a great deal on reinforcements to their armies through risings in Epirus, Albania and Macedonia.

The Turks, on the other hand, have about 150,000 good, well equipped troops in line. Of these, forty-four battalions are Redifs in Rumelia, at all 30,000 men, who are divided into two respective divisions.

London, April 15.—The Athens correspondent of The Times will say tomorrow: The failure of the first raid has deepened the general exasperation and led to much angry recriminations. The Ethnik Heteria blames the government and the latter blames the "brotherhood," is quite evident that the Heteria expected to be supported by the regular troops on the outbreak of a war thus precipitated. A pessimistic tone is becoming more and more noticeable, but the clamor for war does not diminish.

Vienna, April 15.—It is said here tonight on reliable authority that Emperor Nicholas has declared that nothing now remains but to abandon Turkey and Greece to their fate and leave them to measure strength. His majesty is reported to have added emphatically that if Turkey now declared war it would be exclusively due to the provocation offered by Greece. Greece would be regarded in Austrian official circles as the actual assailant.

Major Sandoval a Spanish Spy.

Philadelphia, April 15.—A private meeting of Cuban and Cuban sympathizers was held in this city tonight at which it was decided to take steps to frustrate what the Cubans claim is the real object of Major Juno Sandoval's visit to this city. This is said to be the arrest of no less persons than the members of the Cuban Junta in this country. It has been stated that Major Sandoval came to Philadelphia to purchase munitions of war to be shipped in the regular way to General Weyler in Cuba. Leading Cubans, however, assert that it is to gather information that will culminate in the arrest of General Estrada Palma at New York, and General Quesada at Washington. The motive is the minister of the so-called Cuban republic and the latter charge d'affaires at the capital. It is asserted that Major Sandoval has been commissioned by General Weyler for this express purpose and is known to have in his possession documents found on the steamer Laurada on one of her recent trips to Cuba, showing the part played by Generals Palma and Quesada in her movements. Should the arrest of the junta leaders result and the issue be made in court as to the liability of such a body, there will be a question of jurisdiction that will not involve the interstate commerce laws, but also the questions of belligerency and the customs comity of nations.

Sullivan Challenges Fitzsimmons

Boston, Mass., April 15.—Shortly after John L. Sullivan returned from Carson City, his manager, Frank V. Dunn, posted \$1,000 with a Boston paper to bind a match with Fitzsimmons. Up to date no notice has been taken of it. The Sullivan people mean business. It is claimed, and this money will be drawn and placed with some New York paper. Manager Dunn, who is sick and unable to go to New York, has empowered Nelse Innes, sporting editor of The Boston Herald, to go to New York and challenge Fitzsimmons over again in behalf of Sullivan. Dunn will make a \$5,000 bet that Sullivan wins. Sullivan is anxious to fight Fitzsimmons in March next year to a finish and for the largest purse offered by any club. Mr. Innes will be in New York to see Fitzsimmons and demand an answer of "yes" or "no," whether he will fight Sullivan or not. Whatever answer is put up will go to the hands of Al Smith who was sports holder in the Fitzsimmons-Corbett match.

RUSSELL TO THE NEGROES.

His Effort to Pacify Them as to the Goldboro Asylum—Loge Harshly Fined for Assaulting Superintendent Howell—The Board of Inspection Pleased With the Affairs at State University.

(Special to The Messenger.) Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—The Gazette, the colored newspaper organ here, says tonight: "Governor Russell authorizes us to say that he wanted a colored physician elected principal of the Eastern hospital for the insane at Goldboro, and that all reports, emanating from whatever source, to the contrary are basely false and without foundation."

The board of visitors to the state university completed inspection at noon today. The board is composed of V. S. Lusk, Julian S. Carr, and Henry Weil. Lusk was interviewed tonight and says: "We are greatly pleased with the condition of the university and with the intelligence, application, and behavior of the students. Members of the board addressed the students in the chapel this morning and I took special occasion to refer to their admirable conduct. All of us expressed our great pleasure. We were introduced by President Alderman."

Mr. Lusk is one of the new directors of the North Carolina railway and just as this interview was concluded Private Secretary Alexander delivered to him a big and well filled envelope from Governor Russell.

J. C. L. Harris was this afternoon fined \$15 and the costs by a magistrate for assault on Superintendent Howell of the city public schools. Howell sought to have Harris fined \$50.

NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Of the North Carolina Railroad Called to Meet at Greensboro Today.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—The new board of state directors of the North Carolina railway was today called to meet at Greensboro at noon tomorrow. This is the board appointed last month by Governor Russell. The old board, appointed by Governor Carr, insists that it is still in existence and that Governor Russell cannot make any appointments until the regular meeting in July. Governor Russell's view is that he has a perfect right to appoint at any time. One of the new directors was asked what would come before the board and replied only routine business so far as he knew.

Importance of Annual School Report.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Raleigh, N. C., April 15.—The superintendent of public instruction will tomorrow mail to each register of deeds the following letter:

"I wish to remind you of the importance of a carefully prepared report for the end of the present school year. I have had inquiry as to whose duty it is to make this report. It must be made by you just as last year. The county supervisor is not elected until the same day this report is made, and, of course, is not expected to make the report. I hope you will not lose interest in this report simply because the work will fall into other hands the first Monday in July. This only makes it more important, so that county supervisors may be enabled to learn from your report the true condition of public schools in your county."

No Time Fixed for Vote on Arbitration Treaty.

(Special to The Messenger.)

Washington, April 15.—In accordance with his previous notice, Senator Davis promptly moved an executive session of the senate after the disposal of the routine morning business today for the purpose of taking up the Anglo-American arbitration treaty. He endeavored to secure a unanimous agreement upon a time to take a vote upon the treaty as a whole, but in this he did not succeed, owing to objections from several senators, including Senators Carter, Morgan and Mills. Senator Carter objected to fixing a vote until pairs for absent senators could be arranged on the basis of two for one. Senator Davis said he would make no objection to an arrangement of pairs on this basis, but urged that this should not be considered a valid objection. He also asserted that the treaty had been completely debated and said that, with the amendments all disposed of, there was no reason why it should not be immediately taken. The objections were not withdrawn, however.

The objectors stated that they had no purpose to unduly delay final action, and when the executive session concluded, after continuing about an hour and a half, there was an understanding that Senator Davis would renew his request on next Monday and that then there probably would be no objection to fixing a date.

The senate also considered a proposition, advanced by Senator Mantle, to have Senator Davis' speech on the treaty and Senator Morgan's minority report on it printed for the information of the public, but action was deferred on the suggestion that there might be other speeches which it would be desirable to print, and that it would be better to postpone action of this character until the treaty should be finally passed upon.

Names for the Torpedo Boats.

Baltimore, April 15.—Secretary of the Navy Lome, has notified President Maister, of the Columbian iron works, of this city, that torpedo boat No. 3, which recently made 26 knots an hour on an official trip, has been named "Foote" after the late admiral of that name who opened up the Mississippi river during the civil war. "Number 4" will be called "Rodgers," in honor of the hero, who figured in the war of 1812 in which he fired the first shot with his own hand. "Number 5" will be named "Winslow" after the commander of the Kearsarge, at the time she sunk the Alabama. These boats are nearing completion. Another still on the ways and known as "No. 18," will be christened "McKee," in honor of the young Kentuckian, who was killed in a charge on the Koreans, in 1870.

A GAY EASTER WEEK.

TWO WEDDINGS AND SEVERAL DANCES ON THE PROGRAMME.

Curator of the State Museum Disappointed at Not Securing Skeleton of the Wrightsville Whale—The Scramble for the Judgement—Prospects for Good Fruit Crop. No Decision Yet in the Asylum Cases. Appropriation for Raleigh Insane Asylum Too Small.

Messenger Bureau, Park Hotel.

Raleigh, N. C., April 15.

The curator of the state museum greatly regrets not securing the skeleton of the whale which was washed ashore at Wrightsville. It was a sperm whale and not a "right" whale. The whale fishery at Cape Lookout is of the "right" whale, and it is said that in forty years no specimen of the sperm whale has been seen there. Sperm whales are sometimes killed near Wrightsville.

It was remarked here today by prominent republicans that if Robinson is appointed federal judge the odds are that the governor will appoint Oscar J. Spears superior court judge and thus get him out of the way of Charles A. Cook who wants to be United States district attorney again.

The prospect for a fine crop of wheat and oats is excellent. Winter-sown grain is in good shape.

As to the fruit crop the prospect is also good. The damage by the frosts was not great. Danger from frost now is not feared.

Interest is increasing in the building of the Richmond-Ridgeway railway line.

The news that the Seaboard Air Line and the Baltimore and Ohio railways are working together for a joint southern and northern through line is confirmed in several ways.

The declaration was made last night that in the matter of the legal decision as to the right of the present superintendents of the hospitals for the insane the odds were in their favor. The decision of the superior court judge in this very important and interesting case has been expected two or three days.

In the supreme court there was argument in the appeal case involving the

ONE MORE WEEK'S GRACE.

You Must Pay Up or Lose The Messenger

We are now sending out statements to those who are in arrears to The Messenger and we hope that all will respond promptly. We have recently changed the paper to twice a week without changing the price, which makes it the cheapest paper in North Carolina. Hereafter no name will be entered on our books without the cash with it. All are hereby requested to pay up or expect their paper discontinued. Remit by Registered Letter or Express Order at our expense.

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In a social way Easter week promises to be unusually gay in this city. Two church weddings and several dances and receptions are on the list of events. There is a decided increase in the number of chattel mortgages and liens in this county this year.

Commercial travelers report an improvement in business in this state as compared with last spring.

Case Against the Dauntless Dismissed

Jacksonville, Fla., April 15.—The case against the steamer Dauntless which was seized by Collector of Customs Baltzell, at Fernandina October 31, 1896, for violation of the navigation laws in that it was not provided with the proper number of life boats, came up for trial in the United States district court this morning. After hearing the evidence Judge Locke rendered a decision dismissing the case. The testimony of the local steamboat inspector showed that the owner of the boat had complied with all regulations. The government attorneys applied for an order from the court to show that the vessel had been justifiably seized and this is now under consideration. The case against the Dauntless charging a violation of the neutrality laws in connection with the No Name Key expedition was called for trial today. Many witnesses have been subpoenaed and the case will be the first to be tried here on a libel for forfeiture.

Dr. Joaquin Castillo, the Cuban leader, has gone north. It is stated that no more expeditions will be sent from Florida at present on account of the strict watch of the government officials. The base of operations will be changed to New York. E. S. Gaylor, chief of the Philadelphia Pinkertons, is here in connection with the filibustering cases.

THE KENTUCKY SENATORSHIP

No Change in the Situation—More Unsuccessful Ballots—The Grand Jury at Work—Breach Between Blackburn and Martin. Frankfort, Ky., April 15.—The gold democrats held no caucus tonight and the programme for senatorial ballots tomorrow is the same as that of the past two days.

Hunter's chief lieutenants said to the Associated Press reporter tonight that he had no idea of withdrawing; that he might do so if it was requested or suggested by the administration, but intimated that they had the best of reason for believing that no such request or suggestion will ever come.

Blackburn's forces are confident that the deadlock will last if Hunter remains on the track, as the gold men are practically committed to never vote for him and they will go so far as to lend him encouragement rather than see him quit the track and ruin their plans for "no election till next winter."

The grand jury adjourned again tonight without making any report, but were very busy all day after the sensational additional charge given them by Judge Cantrell. The judge this morning called the jurors into open court and instructed them as to their duty in the case before them. He said he regretted that the matter came up before the adjournment of the legislature and felt that it was the duty of the legislature to wash its own dirty linen, but having attempted investigation, it was their duty to probe it to the bottom. "And in so doing," continued the judge, "I command you not to show any favoritism." This unusual step on the part of a circuit judge was received with surprise by both republicans and democrats.

The first ballot today resulted as follows: Hunter 58, Blackburn 43, Martin 10, Boyle 6, Stone 1, leaving Hunter two votes short of an election. No motion was made to adjourn, and the second ballot was ordered. The second and third ballots resulted as follows: Hunter 57, Blackburn 42, Martin 10, Boyle 6, Stone 1. A motion was then made that the general assembly adjourn, which prevailed.

It is reported on what is believed to be excellent authority that there is a serious breach between State Senator Henry L. Martin and ex-United States Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, of the silver democrats. Martin, who has worked

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IN THE SENATE.

THE DAY SPENT ON THE INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

Several Amendments Proposed and Discussed—Restrictions Added to the Clause Giving Tribal Rights to Half-Breeds—Certain Grants of Oil Lands Stricken Out. Senator Vest Protests Against Abolition of Sectarian Schools.

Washington, April 15.—The senate spent today on the Indian appropriation bill, but did not complete it. Some time was also consumed in executive session on the arbitration treaty. At the close of the day's proceedings the senate adjourned until Monday.

The committee amendment to the Indian appropriation bill, opening the Uncompahgre Indian reservation in Utah to public entry was agreed to. The reservation is said to contain some of the richest deposits of asphalt in existence.

Senator Gallinger moved to strike out the provision giving tribal relations to the children of a white father and Indian mother. He declared that the provision would permit white adventurers to marry the Indian women as a matter of speculation and ultimately to dominate the Indian.

Senator Berry defended the provision on the ground that it removed the penalty now placed on an Indian woman for marrying a white man.

The motion to strike out did not prevail.

Senator Quay called attention to what he termed a "deliberate attempt to rob the Indians." It dealt with the granting of certain rights on the Seneca Indian reservation to parties in New York. Papers submitted by Senator Quay alleged serious irregularities in making the oil rights.

Senator Pettigrew announced that the contest was one between rival oil companies. In this connection he stated that the Indian reservations in New York ought to be wiped out and the Indians made subject to the laws of New York.

Senator Quay's amendment striking out the ratification of the oil grants, was accepted.

On motion of Senator Gallinger, the provision as to children of a white father and Indian mother, was modified so as to give these children tribal rights on the consent of a majority of the tribe and the consent of the secretary of the interior.

Senator Vest, of Missouri, spoke in criticism of the provision of the bill abolishing sectarian Indian schools. He knew, he said, that what he said would subject him to bitter criticism. He was brought up a protestant and had no connection with Roman Catholic church; but he had no sympathy with that cowardly and ignorant sentimentality which denounces the abolition of sectarian schools. He had been reared to believe the Jesuits were opposed to republican institutions; but he had traveled through the Indian country, visiting the schools and had found them a travesty on education except when conducted by the Jesuits.

"If I had control of these schools," proceeded Senator Vest, "I would give them to those who have studied the Indians, those who have taken the young Indians from the tepee, segregated them from their fathers and mothers and taught them the religion of Christ, even if the cross is the emblem of their religion. I would infinitely rather see them Catholics than savages. I do not belong to the sect who would rather see an Indian damned than see him in the Catholic church." Senator Vest said he would make no effort to oppose the provision of the bill, but would content himself with this protest.

The senate adjourned at 5 o'clock.

Banker Spalding Makes an Assignment.

Chicago, April 15.—Charles W. Spalding, ex-president of the Globe Savings bank and ex-treasurer of the University of Illinois, has made a voluntary assignment to the university trustees of realty and bond securities approximately \$400,000. Some of the bonds conveyed to them are now in the hands of Receiver Leman, of the Globe Savings bank, and a desperate fight will be waged by the depositors of the bank to prevent them going to the university. Criminal proceedings are not to be brought against the former treasurer by the trustees unless they cannot be indemnified for the money and bonds used by Spalding. Suits are to be begun against the First National bank, the Northwestern National bank and the Metropolitan National bank to recover \$242,000 of bonds hypothecated or sold to these institutions by Spalding personally or through brokers.

Mr. Spalding this afternoon issued a statement giving the causes leading up to the failure of the bank and saying that he had no doubt all depositors will be paid in full and 50 per cent. of the capital stock paid to the stockholders.

"If the securities are conservatively managed in the hands of the receiver," he also claims that he handled the university endowment bonds in good faith and states that there will be no ultimate loss to the institution or to its bondsmen, if his investments are not sacrificed by forcing them upon the present market and he is permitted to advise how they shall be liquidated.

A Steamer and All on Board Lost.

San Francisco, April 15.—The impression that the American ship Samaria, from Seattle for San Francisco, has gone to the bottom, grows stronger day by day, as no tidings come from the overdue vessel. The Alcaide, which left Seattle simultaneously with the Samaria, arrived in this port April 2nd. The Alcaide's master says that on March 25th he encountered a terrible southeast gale and after being in company with the Samaria four days the vessels unintentionally separated. The Samaria was laden so deep in the water that the seas broke over her and she wallowed badly in the trough of the sea. The Alcaide had hard work saving herself and only escaped from the fury of the storm by throwing out oil bags which moderated the force of sea immediately about her. On the following day the weather moderated, but there was no sign of the Samaria. Much wreckage was drifting about, entangled in which the Alcaide's officers saw a set of ship steps and a corpse. The Alcaide's captain is confident that the Samaria and all her crew are at the bottom of the sea.

FROM THE FLOODED DISTRICTS.

The News Received at Washington Confronting the State of Affairs Between Vicksburg and New Orleans Causing Alarm—More Aid for Persons Hemmed in by the Waters.

Washington, April 15.—The news that came to the war department from the lower Mississippi valley today was conflicting. Below Vicksburg the conditions appear to differ on each side of the river. From the army office in Mississippi comes a most alarming statement of the number of people suffering for food, while the inspecting officer in Louisiana counsels against too liberal assistance as likely to lead to bad labor conditions.

Just before the close of office hours Secretary Alger received another telegram from Vicksburg representing that the people in the Sunflower district were cut off from dryland and in great need of food and forage. He immediately called his bureau officers in consultation and then ordered another steamboat to take on supplies and start for the scene of distress.

Memphis, Tenn., April 15.—While the condition of affairs in the overflooded Mississippi delta is reported brighter tonight, the situation between Vicksburg and New Orleans is causing the greatest apprehension. The river continued in Mississippi to come a most alarming statement of the number of people suffering for food, while the inspecting officer in Louisiana counsels against too liberal assistance as likely to lead to bad labor conditions.

The water at Rosedale has not receded. The first train that has entered Clarkdale for many days has arrived there. Trains are also being run from Clarkdale to Minter City and Philli, and from Lulu to Jonestown.

At Helena the situation is unchanged. At a meeting of the property owners of the city today it was decided to begin the erection of a new levee around the city.

At Memphis the river rose one-tenth of a foot in the twenty-four hours ending tonight. An additional slight rise is looked for.

Kansas City, Mo., April 15.—The river has risen eight inches since yesterday, marking three inches above the danger line and is still coming up slowly. Two miles up the river the Burlington's tracks are endangered.

The last of the families on Lewis island, a small place at the mouth of the Kansas river, have moved out. The place is entirely submerged and the water at the lowest points is almost touching the eaves of the huts.

Vicksburg, Miss., April 15.—A mass meeting was held tonight and a request sent to Washington through Governor McLaughlin for tents to shelter 2,000 refugees from the flooded area. The request was also requested to appropriate \$50 and private subscriptions will be solicited. There are reports of additional loss of life on parts of the island and a number of people have been killed. As yet but one death by drowning is authenticated.

Omaha, Neb., April 15.—The flood situation tonight is grave. All day the torrents poured from the Missouri across the North Omaha gardens into Florence street. Cutoff lakes of water have begun to form in the general flood, and the latter may do so soon. Tonight it is seven feet higher than it was on Tuesday morning and is surely cutting away the levee that held it back from sweeping to join the Missouri and turn the long abandoned course of that stream again into use.

A special from Vicksburg tonight reports a further rise in the Missouri river at that point. There have been no lives lost, so far as known, but the damage to farm property and live stock has been enormous.

A Steamer Hailed by the Vesuvius.

New York, April 15.—The Munson Line steamer Arden, which plies between this and Cuban ports and which left Havana on April 10th, arrived this afternoon and reports that on April 11th, at 6:30 p. m., off Palm Beach, Fla., a United States warship with two funnels and two masts, bore down and steamed around the steamer, hailed the captain and asked for the ship's name, after which she steamed away but in doing so was very careful not to show her stern so her name could be read. She was evidently the Vesuvius, as she was long and low in the water and painted white.

A Fatal Accident With a Revolver.

New York, April 15.—Wells Finch, a flour broker and member of the produce exchange, accidentally shot and killed himself this afternoon while apparently cleaning a revolver in his office in the produce exchange building. He was found dead late in the afternoon by a porter in the building. The body was seated in a chair at a desk, one hand clutching a revolver of which one chamber had been emptied. On the desk was a screw driver and a bottle of oil and the dead man had evidently been tinkering with the revolver. Between the teeth of the corpse was a cigar holder, containing a partially smoked cigar.

Ministers Should Use Dr. Miles' Heart Cure.

THERE IS NO PROFESSION, whose labor is so purely the nervous system, as that of the ministry. The overwork of the nerve centers of the brain by overwork, frequently brings on attacks of heart trouble, and nervous prostration. Rev. J. P. Koster, M. D., Pastor U. B. church, London Mills, Ill., is a physician, writes Feb. 26, 1895: "Heart affection and nervous prostration had become so serious last fall that a little over work in the pulpit would so completely prostrate me that it seemed certain I must relinquish the work of the ministry entirely. Heart palpitation became so bad that my auditors would ask me if I did not have heart disease. Last November I commenced taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure alternately with Dr. Miles' Nerve and derived the greatest possible benefit. I have just closed revival work of 10 weeks, preaching nearly every night and twice on the Sabbath. I can speak for hours without suffering as I formerly did. Hard working ministers should keep Dr. Miles' grand remedies on hand."

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